Docket No. 211606US3DIV

IN RE APPLICATION OF: Hironori FUJIOKA, et al.

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FOR:

METHOD OF PRODUCING REDUCED IRON AND PRODUCTION FACILITIES THEREFOR

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Transmitted herewith is an Amendment After Final in the above-identified application.

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- ☐ Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. §1.9 and §1.27 is claimed.
- Additional documents filed herewith: Letter Submitting Drawing Sheet(s); Replacement Drawing Sheets (2)

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SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated July 14, 2003, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 5 of this paper and include an attached replacement sheet.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.